# 2004 LOCAL CANDIDATE FILING, PETITIONING, AND QUALIFYING INFORMATION

Leon County Supervisor of Elections Office Leon County, Florida, USA

## PRIMARY ELECTION

## GENERAL ELECTION

August 31, 2004

November 2, 2004

Candidates for Offices listed below qualify and file campaign reports with the Leon County Supervisor of Elections, Suite 301, Leon County Courthouse, 301 South Monroe Street, Tallahassee, FL 32301, (850) 606-8683.

#### BASIC CANDIDATE INFORMATION

## **FILING:**

the first step in becoming a candidate. (106.021 F.S.) You must be a registered voter in Leon County to run for local public office. Filing allows you to solicit contributions and make expenditures for your campaign and can occur at any time. It involves the completion of an Appointment of Treasurer form filed with the Elections office that states:

- [1] the office you are running for (including seat or district #),
- [2] your political party affiliation (except candidates for County Commission, City Commission, Supervisor of Elections, School Board, and Water Conservation District),
- [3] what bank your campaign account is (or will be) in, and
- [4] who your treasurer is (it can be yourself).

After filing, your campaign must submit quarterly treasurer's reports until qualifying in July 2004. A candidate has ten days from the date he or she files to execute a "Statement of Candidate" (106.023 F.S.).

## **PETITIONING:**

is the Alternative Method for payment of the qualifying fee. (99.095, 00.0955, 99.096, 99.0965, 99.09651, & 99.097, F.S.) The petition process begins no sooner than January 7, 2004 for all candidates. Our office plans a 48-hour turnaround on printing petitions for local candidates. For any candidate securing their own printing the deadline to file by alternative method is noon, June 21, 2004. Petitions:

- [1] are provided by Supervisor of Elections Office (double the required amount for the seat you are a candidate),
- [2] must be properly completed and signed by 1% of voters eligible to sign petition, and

[3] must be submitted for verification no later than noon on June 21, 2004. There is a 10 cents per name fee for verifying signatures, which must be paid upon submission of petitions, or the candidate may file an undue burden oath to waive the cost of verification.

NOTE: If the candidate is unable to collect the required number of signatures, he or she may still pay the qualifying fee.

## **QUALIFYING:**

is the final step that allows a candidate to be on the ballot and occurs at the Supervisor of Elections Office. All candidates qualify from noon, July 12, 2004, to noon, July 16, 2004. (99.012, 99.021, 99.061, 99.062, F.S.).

#### The candidate must fill out:

- [1] Financial Disclosure Form 6, (City Commission candidates must fill out Financial Disclosure Form 1)
- [2] Loyalty Oath, Oath of Candidate and Statement of Party (DS-DE 24 for major and minor party candidates) or Loyalty Oath and Oath of Candidate (Form DS-DE 24B for no party affiliation candidates), and
- [3] pay qualifying fee (6% of annual salary for partisan; 4% of annual salary for non-partisan Constitutional, County Commission, City Commission, or School Board candidates; or \$25 for Water Conservation District Supervisor Candidates) **or** have petitions certified.

Candidates who do not complete the qualifying process by noon, July 16, 2004 WILL NOT be on the ballot!

NOTE: All salaries, qualifying fees, and petition requirements listed below are as of May 1, 2004 and are subject to change.

## **Constitutional Officers**

4-year terms, elected county-wide, candidate must reside within Leon County at time of taking oath of office. **The # of petitions required: 1,464; recommended 1,830.** 

OFFICE	INCUMBENT	QUALIFYING FEE		SALARY
		Partisan	Non-partisan	SALAKI
Sheriff	Larry Campbell (DEM)	\$7,417.86	\$4,945.24	\$123,631
Clerk of the Circuit Court	Bob Inzer (DEM)	\$6,946.26	\$4,630.84	\$115,771
Property Appraiser	Bert Hartsfield (DEM)	\$6,946.26	\$4,630.84	\$115,771
Tax Collector	Doris Maloy (DEM)	\$6,946.26	\$4,630.84	\$115,771
Superintendent of Schools	Bill Montford (DEM)	\$6,796.80	\$4,531.20	\$113,280
Supervisor of Elections	Ion Sancho	-	\$3,959.68	\$98,992

## **County Commissioner**

4-year terms; annual salary is \$64,453; elected non-partisan within single member districts while "At Large" seats are countywide; must reside within district at time of election; **qualifying fee is \$2,578.12.** 

		# OF PETITIONS	
DISTRICT	INCUMBENT	Required	Recommended
At-Large (Group 1)	Rudy Maloy	1,464	1,830
2	Jane Sauls	215	269
4	Tony Grippa	342	428

#### **School Board Member**

4-year terms; annual salary is \$31,938; elected non-partisan, within single member districts; must reside in district at time of qualifying; **qualifying fee is \$1,277.52.** 

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DISTRICT	INCUMBENT	Required	Recommended
2	Dee Crumpler	307	384
4	Fred Varn	318	396

## **City Commissioner**

4-year terms; annual salary is \$32,219; elected non-partisan, citywide; must reside in city at time of qualifying; qualifying fee is \$1288.76 (4% of annual salary, 99.093 F.S.) or number of petitions required is 899, number recommended is 1124.

SEAT	INCUMBENT
1	Mark Mustian
2	Andrew Gillum

# Ochlockonee River Soil & Water Conservation District Supervisor

4-year term; no salary; elected non-partisan, countywide; **qualifying fee is \$25** or **number of petitions required is 25, number recommended is 32.** Election will be conducted on November 2, 2004 and is governed by 189.405 and 582.18, F.S.

DISTRICT	INCUMBENT
1	Michael Miller

3	Preston Robertson
5	Blas J. Gomez

All candidates for offices not listed above file and qualify with the State Division of Elections, The Collins Building, 107 W. Gaines Street, Tallahassee, Florida. (850) 245-6200.